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MEMORANDUM FOR: Col. Robert E. Herndon, Jr., USAF
Hdqts., Aeronautical Chart and Information Center
Second and Arsenal
St. Louis 18, Missouri

ATTENTION: ACDM

SUBJECT: 20X Enlargers

1. We would like to note our appreciation for your comments of 8 June 1960 concerning minor difficulties with the Eastman Kodak 20X enlargers. We are also pleased that you have had few problems with the equipment. Our experience with these items has shown them to be exceptionally well designed and constructed.

2. The difficulty with the wax coatings being dissolved has been anticipated here also. Consequently, we do not wax negative materials scheduled for use with the 20X enlarger. A secondary effect of wax being dissolved in the refractant, aside from clogging the valves, is that the index of refraction of the solution is modified, offsetting the improvement gained from the use of the refractant.

3. CIA/PIC is currently undertaking an investigation of the wax and refractant solutions, with an eye toward improving the working technique and also purchasing these items at more competitive prices than currently charged by EK. We will keep you informed of our progress.

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